

PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF FOREIGN POLICIES

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STATEMENT MADE BY BRYAN

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Purposes or Action With Reference
to Bernstorff Memorandum Until
White House Gives Authority.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WASHINGTON, April 16.—Secretary
of State Bryan and other officials of
the State Department today admitted
that President Wilson decides upon the
spirit of all communications of impor-
tance from this government to other
governments and reviews the sub-
stance when he deems it advisable.

This revelation was made by Sec-
retary Bryan when inquiries were put
to him relative to the action which the
United States would take with respect
to the Bernstorff memorandum. Mr.
Bryan said that any reply which may
be made to the Bernstorff communi-
cation will be made only after consulta-
tion of the State Department officials
with the President.

Mr. Bryan said that this was the rule,
whether the questions arose first at the
State Department or the White House.
Other important officials of the State
Department confirmed Mr. Bryan's
statement.

ALL IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT

One of the officials explained that the
submission to the President of all im-
portant documents written in the State
Department was for "the good reason"
that he alone is responsible for the
foreign policies of the United States.

It was stated that the first of the im-
portant communications made to Great
Britain on the subject of rights of
American shippers was retained at the
White House for some time, and was
not forwarded until it had been care-
fully reviewed by the President.

It is not secret that the Mexican
situation is being handled by the Pres-
ident through his personal agents.
The last personal agent of the Pres-
ident sent to Mexico is Duval West, who
has been up at Mexico City, where he
is handling the question of food for the
famine sufferers and the opening of the
railway connections between the capital
city and Vera Cruz. No State Depart-
ment official has yet ventured to make
public the instructions given to Duval
West when he was sent to Mexico.

ONLY ANNOUNCEMENT COMES FROM WILSON

The only authoritative announcement
which has been made here with respect
to the demands of Japan on China was
made by the President himself, and
was simply that "inquiries" had been
made of Japan.

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purpose or action of the State Depart-
ment with reference to the Bernstorff
memorandum unless authority comes
from the White House.

An indication of the policy which
probably would be followed with respect
to the Bernstorff communication, an
official cited the course which was
pursued by this government when ac-
cused by the good faith of the United
States were in the case of the steamship
Oderwald at San Juan. The State Depart-
ment and the White House did not act im-
mediately. The German communication
went to the War Department, and the
War Department sent it by mail to
Lieutenant Colonel Burnham, com-
manding at San Juan, for a report.

The report is also coming by mail.
It was said that Germany must know
by this time that the United States
government considered the language of
the Bernstorff memorandum most of-
fensive, and that the disposition was
to give Germany plenty of time to make
proper amends on her own initiative.
If Germany does not see fit to do this
after reasonable time, this government,
it was said, probably would express
some views, but in such manner as it
was thought would uphold the dignity
of the United States "without offering
cause of irritation to Germany."

HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT SUMMONED FOR SESSION

Official Call Says There Will Be Con-
sideration of Three Groups of
Questions Arising from War.

[Correspondence of Associated Press.]
VENICE, April 16.—The Hungarian
Parliament has been summoned for a
spring session beginning about the mid-
dle of April. The official call for the
session says the House will have to
deal with three groups of questions
arising from the war. The first group
deals with finances; the second with
prolongation of the term of members
of Parliament, as it will not be pos-
sible to hold elections during the war;
and the third with a number of lesser
matters, the most important being re-
vision of the laws on army contract
frauds.

Any bills to be brought before Par-
liament must be submitted to the crown
before they come before the House in
introduction and passed accordingly.
The session is not likely to pass with-
out some interesting disclosures. Some
of the independent members have an-
nounced they would interpellate the
government in regard to the surrender
of Przemyśl, particularly as to the sac-
rifice of 10,000 men in the last sortie,
which they declare was a hopeless
move.

It is possible some members of the
opposition may try to open a discus-
sion of possible peace terms.

ITALY NOW HAS 1,200,000 SOLDIERS UNDER ARMS

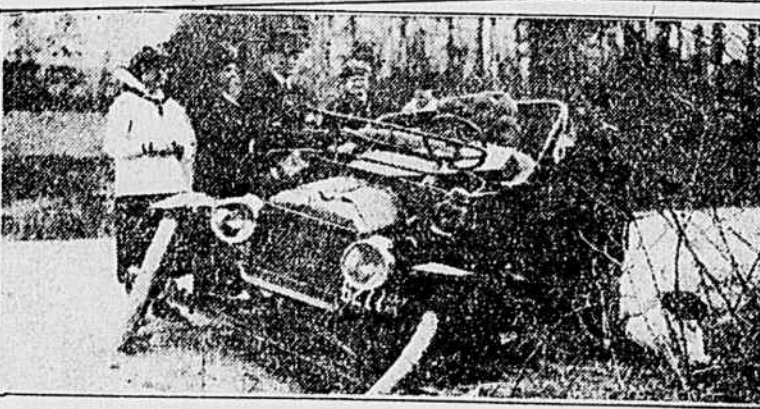
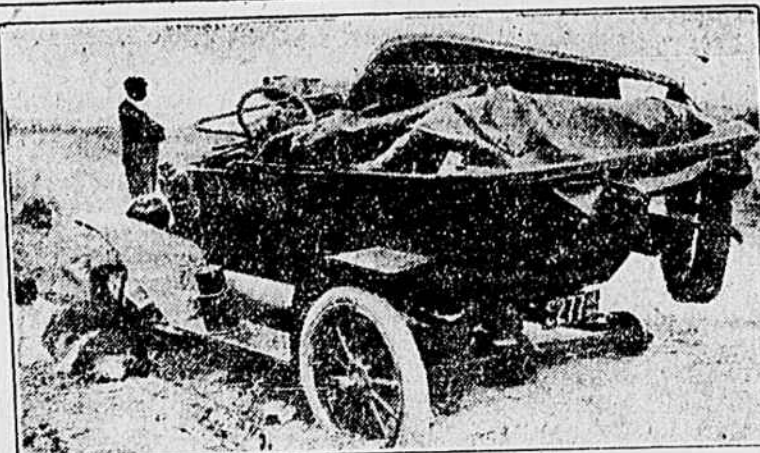
Men Along Frontier So Eager for
Action That Officers Are Compelled
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ON THE ITALIAN FRONTIER (via
Paris), April 16.—Italy to-day has
1,200,000 first-line soldiers under arms.
They are from twenty to twenty-six
years of age, perfectly armed and
equipped.

General Zupolli, Italian Minister of
War, said to-day a miracle had been
accomplished in Italy, which after
maintaining for twenty years a mili-
tary organization merely for preserva-
tion of peace, had created one of the
most perfect of war machines. He said
the army's equipment was superior
proportionately to that of the German
army at the beginning of the war.

Eagerness of the soldiers along the
frontier to begin action is so great that
their officers are compelled to hold
them closely in check. Men in a posi-
tion to speak with authority, however,
say the government still hopes to gain
territorial concessions from Austria
without a rupture of friendly relations.

Motor Accident Which Cost One Life



View of overturned car on the Quebec-Miami Highway, one and one-half miles from Bakerville, Va., near South Hill, in which Richard C. Wells was fatally injured and Warren Clarke seriously hurt. Mr. Wells died the following morning in the Memorial Hospital, and Mr. Clarke is still a patient in that institution.

SINKING OF THE KATWYK AROUSSES IRE OF DUTCH

Further Ministerial Conferences Held
At The Hague To Consider
Incident.

THE HAGUE (via London), April 16.—
Further ministerial conferences were
held to-day to consider the sinking of
the Dutch steamer Katwyk, from Rot-
terdam for Rotterdam with grain con-
signed to the Netherlands government.

The incident has aroused widespread
public irritation, and has called forth
stinging protests from the newspapers.
The papers say there appears no
doubt, but that a German submarine
was guilty, and the question is asked
whether the captain of the submarine
was acting against specific instructions
to avoid sinking neutral ships, or
whether orders have been changed by
Germany.

One reason given for the submarine's
action is the widespread report that 300
Belgians were to cross to England on
Wednesday night en route to join the
forces fighting in Belgium under King
Albert. Some of the papers assumed
that this report was communicated to
the submarine, and that its commander
torpedoed every vessel coming in the
hope of striking the ship carrying the
Belgians. It is understood the Belgians
crossed safely.

OVERTURN IN EXCESS OF 1,000,000 SHARES

Much of Activity in Market Converges
Around Corns of Wheat Have
Benefited Through War Orders.

NEW YORK, April 16.—For the
fourth successive day this week—and
the fifth since last Friday—the session
on the Stock Exchange resulted in an
overturn well in excess of 1,000,000
shares. Much of the activity converged
around securities of industrial and
equipment companies which have ben-
efited through war orders. Chief among
stocks in to-day's new high movement
were American Locomotive, New York
Airbrake, Westinghouse and ten of the
smaller iron and steel manufacturing
concerns. Maximum advances in these
issues ranged from seven to eighteen
points, and in several instances gains
were largely retained.

Other miscellaneous issues having no direct relation
to the "war specialties" gained from
three to six points. Motor stocks alone
failed to share in any marked degree.
The more prominent railroad and in-
dustrial stocks also lagged behind,
although United States Steel and a few
other speculative favorites went to
high prices in early dealings. Selling
of the international list for Euro-
pean interests was a deterrent in that
quarter. Final prices showing consider-
able irregularity and a few not de-
cided.

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LETTER RETURNED TO WRITER AFTER WANDERING 35 YEARS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LYNCHBURG, VA., April 16.—John A.
Lee, the only surviving member of the
old firm of Lee, Taylor & Pierce, has
just returned to him a letter mailed
by that firm in 1879 to a customer in
Marshall, N. C. The envelope contained
an ordinary return card, but the letter
has been wandering for more than
thirty-five years.

Appropriations for the next fiscal
year were authorized to-day at the an-
nual meeting of the Carnegie Peace
foundation. Among the most important
items were:

For the division of intercourse and
education, \$225,000; division of econ-
omies and history, \$116,000; division of
international law, \$110,000.

There was no discussion of the Euro-
pean war situation at to-day's meeting.

SIZE OF BRITISH ARMY NOT REVEALED TO PUBLIC

Impossible Even for Members of Parlia-
ment to Find Out How Many Sol-
diers Are in Training.

[Correspondence of Associated Press.]
LONDON, Tuesday, April 16.—It is im-
possible even for members of Parlia-
ment to find out how many soldiers
Great Britain has in training. They
have put the question in the House of
Commons and the War Office has re-
fused to answer, saying the information
would be so valuable to the enemy it
must remain secret.

Meanwhile the friends of conscription,
which include Lord Northcliffe's news-
papers, keep up their campaign. The
papers print many appeals such as that
appearing to-day from the recruiting
committee for Taunton, which says:
"The efforts made to obtain enlist-
ment of the many hundreds of young,
able-bodied, single men in this town and
district, failing to meet with success,
the government should start without
delay some compulsory system."

The government, continuing its poster
and newspaper advertising campaign,
shows not the slightest disposition to
adopt conscription. Apparently it is
satisfied with present progress, which
Chancellor Lloyd George says has pro-
duced the largest volunteer army the
world ever saw.

A prominent official with knowledge
of the situation, is the authority for the
statement that the British troops so far
put into the field, including regulars,
English volunteers, and the Canadian,
New Zealand, Australian and Indian
units, probably amount to 2,500,000 men.
As the British, when the war started,
told the French they could send but
120,000 men to help, this seems a large
army.

"PEACE HERO" GREATEST NEED OF EUROPE TO-DAY

Oscar Straus, American Representative
at The Hague, Refers to
War Situation.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Oscar
Straus, of New York, American repre-
sentative at The Hague tribunal, called
on Secretary Bryan to-day, but declared
his visit had no special significance. He
was in Washington to attend the meet-
ing of the Carnegie Peace Foundation.
"The United States," said Mr. Straus,
"is waiting for a cessation of hostili-
ties in Europe in a mood of impar-
tiality and neutrality. It does not matter
where our pity or our sympathy lies,
the government follows the cold equi-
ties and is neutral."

The one thing needed to bring salva-
tion to the struggling nations, Mr.
Straus asserted, "is a peace hero."
"Europe needs a Lincoln," he said, "a
man braver in the cause of peace than
any European leader of to-day is brave
in the cause of war. These nations must
realize that six months hence, if they
continue fighting, they will find them-
selves no nearer their respective goals
than now, and only six months the
war will be dead and maintained."

Plans that would make a permanent
peace possible, Mr. Straus declared,
would be one result of negotiations
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